

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Claims.

5 1. (Amended) An integrated circuit device, comprising:

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B' a programmable portion comprising a plurality of circuits  
configurable by a user of the integrated circuit device; and

at least one communication portion comprising at least one circuit  
block manufactured to perform a predetermined data communication  
function including converting received first data values into second data  
values.

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B2 21. (Amended) A method, comprising the steps of:

performing predetermined logic functions on a programmable logic  
portion of the integrated circuit; and

15 performing serial data communication functions on a  
communication portion of the integrated circuit that includes circuit blocks  
that are not formed with programmable logic device configuration data.

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